Company Tracking Number: AAIS-2008-8

TOI: 01.0 Property Sub-TOI: 01.0001 Commercial Property (Fire and Allied

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Product Name: Commercial Properties

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Filing at a Glance

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Commercial Properties Program

Fire Protection Classification - Rule 2.2

On behalf of our affiliated companies, the American Association of Insurance Services (AAIS) is filing changes to the

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above captioned Program. AAIS is proposing that the three fire protection definitions currently on file be replaced with a seven-part fire protection definition system. This change to the fire protection definitions will allow for greater refinement in the protection factors that are used in calculating the fire premium and thus allow affiliated insurers to more accurately classify and rate for the risks assumed.

The Filing Memorandums provide detailed descriptions of the changes and additions being proposed at this time. Copies of all materials are enclosed.

We propose that the filing become effective September 1, 2008. Companies will be advised to take the filing action outlined in the attached company action exhibit.

Please be advised that, upon approval, the materials that are the subject of this filing may also be provided to affiliated members and subscribers in an electronic format. We will be happy to furnish you the same materials electronically, upon request. Due to differences in printer configurations or other hardware or software differences, the appearance of the materials that are the subject of this filing may be altered slightly when produced by another system. Such alterations will be cosmetic only and will not affect the content of the filed materials.

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Retaliatory? No

Fee Explanation:

Per Company: No

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Supporting Document	Filing Memo - AR	Filed	Yes
Supporting Document	SBS - AR	Filed	Yes
Supporting Document	Company Action Exhibit	Filed	Yes
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Rate/Rule Schedule

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RULE 2 -- DEFINITIONS

2.1 Construction

The following construction definitions apply to all perils other than Earthquake:

Frame -- Buildings where the exterior walls are wood or other combustible materials, including construction where combustible materials are combined with other materials such as brick veneer, stone veneer, wood iron-clad, and stucco on wood.

Masonry Joisted -- Buildings where the exterior walls are constructed of masonry materials such as adobe, brick, concrete, gypsum block, hollow concrete block, stone, tile, or similar materials, and where the floors and roof are combustible (disregarding floors resting directly on the ground).

Non-combustible -- Buildings where the exterior walls and the floors and roof are constructed of, and supported by, metal, asbestos, gypsum, or other noncombustible materials.

Masonry Non-combustible -- Buildings where the exterior walls are constructed of masonry materials, as described in Masonry Joisted above, with the floors and roof of metal or other non-combustible materials.

Modified Fire Resistive -- Buildings where the exterior walls and the floors and roof are constructed of masonry or fire resistive material with a fire resistance rating of one or more, but less than two hours.

Fire Resistive -- Buildings where the exterior walls and the floors and roof are constructed of masonry or fire resistive materials having a fire resistance rating of not less than two hours.

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2.2 Protection

Fire protection recognizes fire departments, water supply, and communications. Specific rates already recognize the available protection. Class rates are calculated recognizing the following protection classifications:

Protected -- Buildings located within five road miles of a responding fire department and within 1,000 feet of a fire hydrant are to be classified as Protected, as follows:

Protected 1	One mile or less from responding fire department.
Protected 2	More than one mile, but two miles or less from responding fire department.
Protected 3	More than two miles, but three miles or less from responding fire department.
Protected 4	More than three miles, but four miles or less from responding fire department.
Protected 5	More than four miles, but five miles or less from responding fire department.

Partially Protected -- Building is located more than 1,000 feet away from a fire hydrant, but is within five road miles of a responding fire department.

Unprotected -- Buildings located in areas that are classified as neither protected nor partially protected.

2.3 Location

A location is each separately rated, non-communicating building or structure.

2.4 Miscellaneous Locations

When property at five or more locations is covered on a combined/blanket basis as described in Rule 6, the values at miscellaneous locations (that fall within the maximum value requirement) can be disregarded if the Average Rate Method is used to develop the rating information.

Miscellaneous locations are those locations with values less than \$150,000. The sum of the values at all permitted miscellaneous locations cannot exceed a maximum of 10% of the total value at all covered locations.

2.4.1 Determination of Miscellaneous Locations

Step 1 Identify all locations and the covered values at each location.

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Step 2	Combine the value of buildings and personal property at the same location if an average rate includes both buildings and personal property. (When a reporting form is used on renewal business, use average values. When a non-reporting form is used or when a reporting form is used on new business, use the total of the limits reflecting the appropriate coinsurance percentage.)
Step 3	Multiply the total value of all locations by .10.
Step 4	Beginning with the lowest valued location, in ascending order determine the sum of the value of items at locations with values of less than \$150,000. (The total value of these locations must be less than the result of Step 3 above.)

Example:

Location Number		Values
1		\$1,000,000
2		250,000
3		100,000
4		75,000
5		50,000
6		25,000
7		25,000
	Total	\$1,525,000

Step 1	Locations 1 - 7 are eligible locations
Step 2	Total value of all locations is \$1,525,000
Step 3	The maximum amount of values permitted at all
-	miscellaneous locations is \$152,500 (\$1,525,000 x .10)
Step 4	Locations 5, 6, and 7 qualify as miscellaneous locations. The next highest valued location is location 4. However, the sum of the values at locations 4, 5, 6, and 7 exceeds the 10% maximum permitted.

2.4.2 Determination of Premium for Miscellaneous Locations

Although the values at miscellaneous locations are not used in determining the Average Rate, a premium must be charged for the property at the miscellaneous locations. Determine the premium for miscellaneous locations by multiplying the applicable average rate by the total of values at the Miscellaneous Locations.

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RULE 2.1 CONSTRUCTION

CONSTRUCTION/CLASS	FACTORS
FRAME Buildings except code 23000 Contents Builders' risks - code 23000	1.300 1.300 2.000
MASONRY JOISTED Buildings Contents	1.000
NON-COMBUSTIBLE Buildings except codes 20100 20200 20400 20500 21500 21910 21920 22800 22900 23000	0.853
Contents except codes 20100 20200 20400 20500 21500 21910 21920 22800 22900 31690	0.889
Builders' risks - code 23000 Bldg matl - yards code 31690 Buildings - all others Contents - all others	0.420 0.100 0.560 0.583
MASONRY NON-COMBUSTIBLE Buildings except code 23000 Contents Builders' risks - code 23000	0.450 0.607 0.250
MODIFIED FIRE RESISTIVE AND FIRE RESISTIVE Buildings Contents	0.250 0.435

LOSS COST RATING INFORMATION

RULE 2.2 PROTECTION

	Building	Contents
	Factors	Factors
Protected 1	0.784	0.872
Protected 2	0.792	0.881
Protected 3	0.800	0.890
Protected 4	0.808	0.899
Protected 5	0.816	0.908
Partially Protected	1.158	1.150
Unprotected	1.526	1.450

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Supporting Document Schedules

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For a number of years, the AAIS Commercial Properties Program has featured a simplified fire protection classification system for class-rated risks. The AAIS fire protection definitions rely upon distance from the responding fire department and distance from a fire hydrant to establish the following three levels of fire protection:

Protected -- Building is located within 1,000 feet of a fire hydrant and is within five road miles of a responding fire department.

Partially Protected -- Building is located more than 1,000 feet away from a fire hydrant, but is within five road miles of a responding fire department.

Unprotected -- Buildings located in areas that are classified as neither protected nor partially protected.

The classification of the property as Protected, Partially Protected, or Unprotected determines the protection factor used in calculating the fire premium for the risk.

At this time, AAIS is proposing that the three fire protection definitions described above be replaced with a seven-part fire protection definition system. This change to the fire protection definitions will allow for greater refinement in the protection factors that are used in calculating the fire premium and thus allow affiliated insurers to more accurately classify and rate for the risks assumed.

On the following pages, the definition for Protected locations has been modified to take into consideration the distance between the actual risk being insured and the responding fire department. At this time, a modest decrease for those risks closest to the responding fire department is being proposed on the attached pages. A modest increase is proposed for those risks that are farther from the responding fire department, but that are still no more than five miles away from that fire department.

The following information is provided for your review:

Explanation of Change	Page 1
Revised Fire Protection Definitions	_
Fire Protection Factors	Page 3
Hypothetical Measurement Calculations	Page 4

We have also provided copies of the manual pages that have been revised to accommodate the protection classification changes described in this memorandum.

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The location of the building(s) determines its fire protection classification as defined below:

Protected

Buildings located within five road miles of a responding fire department and within 1,000 feet of a fire hydrant are to be classified as Protected, as follows:

- Protected 1 (P1) One mile or less from responding fire department.
- Protected 2 (P2) More than one mile, but two miles or less from responding fire department.
- Protected 3 (P3) More than two miles, but three miles or less from responding fire department.
- Protected 4 (P4) More than three miles, but four miles or less from responding fire department.
- Protected 5 (P5) More than four miles, but five miles or less from responding fire department.

Partially Protected

Buildings located within five road miles of a responding fire department but that do not otherwise qualify for the Protected classification are to be classified as Partially Protected.

Unprotected

Buildings that do not qualify for the Protected or Partially Protected classifications are to be classified as Unprotected.

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PROTECTION RELATIVITIES

Insurance Services Office					
Protection Class	Frame, Joisted Masonry, Non- Combustible	Masonry Non- Combustible, Modified Fire Resistive, Fire Resistive			
1	0.88	0.90			
2	0.92	0.94			
3	0.96	0.97			
4	0.98	0.98			
5	1.00	1.00			
6	1.06	1.05			
7	1.18	1.14			
8	1.30	1.24			
8B	1.42	1.34			
9	1.42	1.34			
10	1.72	1.58			

	American Association of Insurance Services						
Current		Proposed		Percent			
Protection	Relat	ivities	s Relativities		Change		
Definition	Building	Contents	Building	Contents	Building	Contents	
P1	0.800	0.890	0.784	0.872	-2.00%	-2.02%	
P2	0.800	0.890	0.792	0.881	-1.00%	-1.01%	
P3	0.800	0.890	0.800	0.890	N/C	N/C	
P4	0.800	0.890	0.808	0.899	1.00%	1.01%	
P5	0.800	0.890	0.816	0.908	2.00%	2.02%	
PP	1.158	1.150	1.158	1.150	N/C	N/C	
Unprotected	1.526	1.450	1.526	1.450	N/C	N/C	

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CALCULATION OF HYPOTHETICAL MEASUREMENT

Protection	Current Relativities		Proposed Relativities		Hypothetical Distribution	
Definition	Building	Contents	Building	Contents	Building	Contents
P1	0.800	0.890	0.784	0.872	15.5%	12.1%
P2	0.800	0.890	0.792	0.881	17.9%	14.0%
P3	0.800	0.890	0.800	0.890	9.5%	7.5%
P4	0.800	0.890	0.808	0.899	3.6%	2.8%
P5	0.800	0.890	0.816	0.908	1.2%	0.9%
PP	1.158	1.150	1.158	1.150	8.2%	5.6%
Unprotected	1.526	1.450	1.526	1.450	0.8%	0.4%

Average Current Rating Factor 0.8917

Average Revised Rating Factor 0.8852

Percent Change -0.73%

Note: In calculating the Average Current Rating Factor and the Average Revised Rating Factor, we used the actual distribution for the following three categories:

Protected
Partially Protected
Unprotected

Actual distance to the fire department is not currently available; however, we are in the process of revising the AAIS statistical plan to capture distance from the fire department for those risks that are located not more than five miles from the responding fire department. Based on our experience, we judgmentally selected the following distribution for protected properties:

0.00 - 1.00 miles	32.5%
1.01 – 2.00 miles	37.5%
2.01 - 3.00 miles	20.0%
3.01 - 4.00 miles	7.5%
4 01 – 5 00 miles	2.5%

PROPOSED FIRE PROTECTION CLASSIFICATION

CURRENT FIRE PROTECTION CLASSIFICATION

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LOSS COST RATING INFORMATION

RULE 2.2 PROTECTION

	Building	Contents
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Protected 1	0.XXX	0.XXX
Protected 2	0.XXX	0.XXX
Protected 3	<mark>0.XXX</mark>	0.XXX
Protected 4	<mark>0.XXX</mark>	<mark>0.XXX</mark>
Protected 5	0.XXX	0.XXX
Partially Protected	X.XXX	X.XXX
Unprotected	X.XXX	X.XXX

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RULE 2.2 PROTECTION

Partially
Protected Protected
Buildings X.XXX X.XXX
Contents X.XXX X.XXX

COMMENTS:

The Current CP fire protection classification system features a simplified 3-tiered protection definition that is based upon the distance of the insured risk from the responding fire department and distance from a fire hydrant. The corresponding rating information provides factors for each of the 3 levels of protection, for buildings and contents coverage respectively.

The Proposed CP fire protection classification system further refines the Protected class within the Current definition to include 5 levels of classification based upon the distance of the insured risk from the responding fire department. This refinement results in a 7-tier fire protection classification. The corresponding rating information provides factors for each of the 7 levels of protection. However, rating information for Partially Protected and Unprotected classes remain unchanged from those currently on file; rating information for the currently filed Protected class is refined to provide a factor for each of the 5 underlying levels of protection, for buildings and contents coverage respectively.

For purpose of this exhibit, only the text of Rule 2.2 and related rating information that is the subject of this filing are displayed. Note that the refinement of the fire protection classification caused shift of text on several pages adjacent to the page where the subject revision is located. All impacted pages are being submitted for filing at this time.

Unprotected

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COMMERCIAL LINES MANUAL RULES AND SUPPLEMENTAL RATING INFORMATION

Companies that are affiliated with AAIS for rules for this line of insurance:

• can adopt AAIS rules without notifying the Arkansas Insurance Department (ARID).

Companies are advised to make an internal (drawer) filing to document what AAIS materials are used and their effective date.